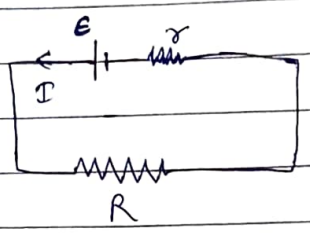


# Lecture 4 Electromotive force & Ohm's law

\* Electromotive force (emf) -  $\mathcal{E}$  is the potential difference between the +ve and -ve electrodes in an open circuit



$r \rightarrow$  internal resistance of a cell/battery

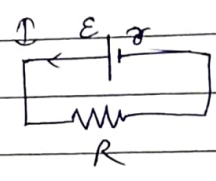
$$V = IR$$

$$V = \mathcal{E} - I r$$

$$IR = \mathcal{E} - I r$$

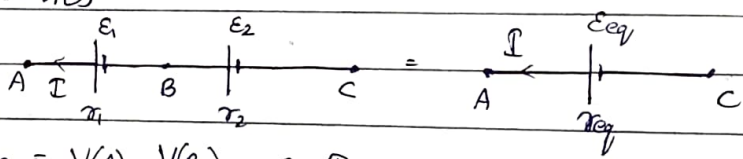
$$I(R+r) = \mathcal{E}$$

$$I = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{R+r}$$



\* Cells in series and parallel

## ① Series



$$V_{AB} = V(A) - V(B) = \mathcal{E}_1 - I r_1$$

$$V_{BC} = V(B) - V(C) = \mathcal{E}_2 - I r_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{AC} &= V(A) - V(C) = V(A) - V(B) + V(B) - V(C) \\ &= V_{AB} + V_{BC} = \mathcal{E}_1 - I r_1 + \mathcal{E}_2 - I r_2 \\ &= (\mathcal{E}_1 + \mathcal{E}_2) - I(r_1 + r_2) \end{aligned}$$

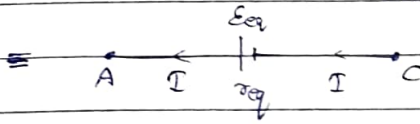
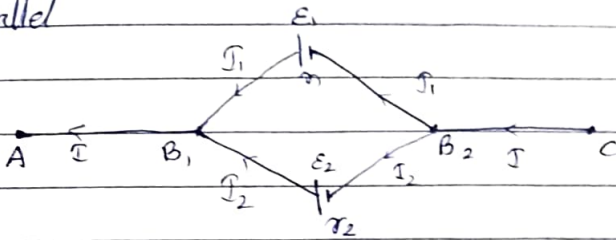
$$V_{AC} = \mathcal{E}_{eq} - I r_{eq}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{eq} = \mathcal{E}_1 + \mathcal{E}_2$$

$$r_{eq} = r_1 + r_2$$

- Equivalent emf of a series combination of  $n$  cells is just the sum of their individual emf's
- The equivalent internal resistance of a series combination of  $n$  cells is just the sum of their internal resistance.

## ② Parallel



$$I = I_1 + I_2$$

$$V = V(B_1) - V(B_2) = E_1 - I_1 r_1$$

$$V = V(B_1) - V(B_2) = E_2 - I_2 r_2$$

$$I = I_1 + I_2$$

$$= \frac{E_1 - V}{r_1} + \frac{E_2 - V}{r_2} = \left( \frac{E_1}{r_1} + \frac{E_2}{r_2} \right) - V \left( \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} \right)$$

$$V = \frac{E_1 r_2 + E_2 r_1}{r_1 + r_2} - I \frac{r_1 r_2}{r_1 + r_2}$$

$$V = E_{eq} - I r_{eq}$$

$$E_{eq} = \frac{E_1 r_2 + E_2 r_1}{r_1 + r_2}$$

$$r_{eq} = \frac{r_1 r_2}{r_1 + r_2}$$

$$\frac{1}{r_{eq}} = \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2}$$

$$\frac{E_{eq}}{r_{eq}} = \frac{E_1}{r_1} + \frac{E_2}{r_2}$$

For  $n$  cells

$$\frac{1}{r_{eq}} = \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{r_n}$$

$$\frac{E_{eq}}{r_{eq}} = \frac{E_1}{r_1} + \frac{E_2}{r_2} + \dots + \frac{E_n}{r_n}$$